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For: ATM SWITCHING EQUIPMENT HAVING A
SWITCHING NETWORK

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116)

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the final Office Action dated August 25, 2004, for which a response is due on November 26, 2004 (November 25, 2004 being a federal holiday). Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.